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Harpeth Hall Begets Plethora Of Prodigious Progeny

by Beth Blaufuss

The area of academic achievement is a realm in which Harpeth Hall certainly excels, and every fall the National Merit Scholarship Program gives the school a chance to honor those members of the Senior Class who have done exceptionally well in this realm of school life. What makes the announcement of this year's National Merit Semifinalists and Commendees even more special is the fact that the Class of '86 has more semifinalists than any other class in Harpeth Hall history.

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation is a non-profit organization which provides academic recognition and college scholarships for graduating seniors based on their scores on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) administered in the fall of their Junior year. While the main function of the program involves honoring high-scoring students, the organization also awards annually about \$21 million in college scholarships with additional awards coming from private corporations.

Out of the 15,000 Tennesseans who took the test last year, 276 were semifinalists. This number represents the top one-half of one percent of the graduating seniors. Twenty-five percent of Harpeth Hall's graduating class are semifinalists, with 21 girls receiving this distinction. In addition, six girls received Letters of Commendation.

The semifinalists from Harpeth Hall include: Elizabeth Bass, Kristen Breuss, Betsey Bryan, Carol Cavin, Elizabeth Cotton, Carrie individuals who earned them.

Doyle, Dawn Felts, Carolyn Fischer, Dallas Hagewood, Meredith Harris, Kathie Jones, Betsy Kennedy, Noel Kirkpatrick, Rachel Landon, Jennifer Nichols, Dilly Sloan, Arwen Staros, Marian Stoney, Caroline Van, Scarlett Weakley, and Lori Kay Wilson

Andrea Carter, Sarah Darragh, Cathy Kanaday, Shan Overton, Julie Perkins, and Cecelia Wong are H.H.'s commendees

While all of the students felt very honored and were excited that they received this award, a large majority of the winners felt that it was not the award itself which meant the most, but the years of academic achievement behind it. As Kristin Breuss said, "It means a lot to me, but I wouldn't feel right about getting an award for a test score unless I knew that I had the ordinary, everyday accomplishments to support it.'

And while most of the Harpeth Hall community is surprised at the outstanding number of semifinalists, the students themselves are not quite as surprised. "The members of our class have always challenged each other. It's nothing that you can really put your finger on -there is an atmosphere in our class of very positive peer pressure," said Kathie Jones.

The National Merit Program has demonstrated the scholastic achievement of these Harpeth Hall students and, as a result, has revealed the positive attitudes of the recipients. These awards are a tribute to the accomplishments, both academic and otherwise, of this class and the

Triple A Plus

by Annis Marney

We at Harpeth Hall have grown to love and appreciate our various systems and programs. Therefore we always take great pride in explaining them to others while learning what various other schools have developed. This was the whole purpose of the Triple A Conference on September 26, 27 and

By hosting the ninety-six students and forty faculty members from Julius T. Wright in Mobile, Alabama; Hutchison in Memphis; and GPS in Chattanooga, we received a better idea of how the Triple A conference works. Traditionally, all of the students stayed with a pupil at Harpeth Hall

Student - Faculty: Strong Week

by Lynne Hampton

This year on the Harpeth Hall campus there are many new faces, and if it were not for the Student Council, they would remain just that - new faces.

But by October 25 no one will have to ask which teacher is Dr. Parsons and which is Dr. Frontain. The activities planned for Student-Faculty week are designed to have interaction with new and old teachers on a personal level. How can anyone act professional while trying to out-eat another person in the Student-Faculty Eat-Off Con-

At the beginning of the year the Student Council sponsored a Student-Faculty Lunch, which was a great success. Beginning October 21 the Student Council, along with some members of the Student-Faculty Committee, plan to bring students and teachers together in competition in such areas as volleyball, paper drives, and human bingo. Clues will be placed in the daily announcements in regard to the teacher of the month. Carrie Doyle has only three words to say describing this week's activities: "Fun, Fun, Fun!"

One day is set aside for Faculty Appreciation. All students are required to be especially nice to their teachers. Another Student-Faculty Lunch is planned, and on Wednesday night a dinner with the teachers will take place. Throughout the whole week there will be an overall competition between the spirit of the students and that of the teach-

To finish off the week, the students will be dressing up as their favorite teacher, and the faculty will be borrowing kilts to wear in support of this unique Duds Day. The activities for the week sound promising, and everyone is looking forward to a great week!

while their faculties spent the night at a hotel.

This year we chose to demonstrate our dance program as one special aspect of Harpeth Hall. Mrs. Leslie Matthews, with the help of dancers Anne Altenburn and Beth Miller, explained the difference between jazz and modern dance. This type of entertaining education is part of the uniqueness of the whole conference.

After visiting classes for half of the day, our student council, honor council officers, and all of the publications editors met with the visiting girls to share ideas, techniques, and suggestions. Because Harpeth Hall is so special to Nashville, it is helpful to compare our programs to those of similar outof-town schools.

The Honeybear volleyball team hosted the AAA tournament. The friendly attitudes and spirited spectators and players created a perfect athletic atmosphere, but winning the tournament was the icing on the cake.

The culmination of the conference was a tour of Nashville's pride: the Country Music Hall of Fame. The tour and the barbeque dinner resulted in a chance to really visit with our guests and truly get to know them.

The conference was a huge success; 7:00 came all too early Saturday morning as all of the visitors boarded buses to go to breakfast at Vanderbilt Plaza Hotel before going home.

Frist Hall Builds Excitement

by Elizabeth Martinez

In the past few years, many members of the Harpeth Hall community have worked laboriously in acquiring funds for the two new buildings seen on the campus today. Without the help of many, some of which were recognized during the dedication of one build ing, indeed this construction could not have been possible.

Therefore, in recognition of these people, the official dedication of Frist Hall occurred on October 3, 1985 during the assembly period. Although around six thousand people were invited, only several hundred were present to witness this special event.

Bob Kitchel, chairman of the Board of Trustees, opened the ceremonies by introducing Mrs. Mary

Stumb and Mrs. Britt Nielsen, chairmen of the steering committee for the acquisition of funds. They were each given a Harpeth Hall chair "with gratitude, from Harpeth Hall." Then two members of the Frist family, witnessed by many as the most touching aspect of the ceremony, were given the floor. Dr. Tom Frist, Jr., obviously touched, introduced his mother and former teacher — Mrs. Dorothy Frist.

Her words of acceptance were full of eloquence, sincerity, and above all encouragement to the group of students whom she described as being "the future leaders of Nashville." Harpeth Hall is indeed proud to acknowledge Mrs. Frist who is an important member of the school's community and truly a present leader of Nashville.



Dorothy Frist addresses an attentive audience.

Editorial: Don't "Be All" - Be Yourself

by Elizabeth Martinez

It is very difficult to believe that my fellow classmates and myself have finally become "The Senior Class." At times I feel as if I could be in a sixth grade class, being admonished by a teacher — and yet walking down the halls, I hear someone saying, "Good morning, ma'am," only to realize that the girl is actually speaking to me!

Now, although a Senior does get a few extra privileges, the first word that continues to run through one's mind is usually - colleges. And until that anticipated winter or spring date when those colleges have accepted that student, the application process of essay writing, interviews, and college visiting seems interminable.

Yet one aspect of the admissions process, which is not directed to Seniors alone, is one's high school transcript. From the first day of a student's Freshman year one is told that colleges begin looking at one's high school performance.

Obviously, both spoken and unspoken pressures begin to accumulate, and in the effort to "do all and be all," many seem to lose sight of one simple word: relaxing. Of course relaxation to the point of apathy is not exactly what anyone wishes to see in an individual, but I myself have seen many of my friends virtually kill themselves over schoolwork. Their reason: "I can't let down now, I'll never get into college."

membership lists of what seem to be all the school's clubs. Their to all others. reason: "I've got to get the colleges to think I'm involved.

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Many also spend every day of the school year participating in numerous athletic activities, which sometimes do not even interest them. Their reason: "Maybe I can get an athletic scholarship in

It is admirable that one would make a decisively energetic effort in "being all," yet I wonder how much of that life over the span of four years is fully appreciated by the individual. Indeed there are many who are able to do all these things and enjoy every minute; however, of the many with whom I have spoken, their reason lies not in what colleges would want, but in what they want to do.

As rising Freshmen in high school, our college counselors should add that as we are encouraged to excel in academics, athletics, and extracurriculars, we should never forget that we, as individuals, have our limits, our own unique motivations. Colleges look not necessarily for quantity, but for the proverbial

So many have told me, "Don't ever abuse your years in high schoolthey're the years most full of fun." Of course, I don't wish to think that a life full of fun will end after I graduate, but I did recognize the point to that piece of advice. And I hope others will recognize the point as well. High school is a time set aside for the growth of an individual — academically as well as physically. Each has the oppor-Even in the various clubs in tunity to recognize one's aspirawhich I have participated, I see tions, as well as one's limits. many who put their names on the Throughout this process the student is developing a life unique

> In light of that, what college could refuse?

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Students Address Leading Problems

by Kristin Breuss and Julie Perkins

The 1985 Leadership Conference was a productive one to say the least. Throughout the weekend the girls participated in various activities aimed at making them better leaders and organizers. One such activity was the mock Student Council meeting conducted by Mrs. Sandra Davis as the mock Student Council President. Not only was this an ideal example of the effectiveness of Parliamentary procedure but it also became an ideal opportunity for the students to present solutions to some of the notable problems at Harpeth Hall: "Trash in the Bear Lair," 'Assemblies," "The Harpeth Hall Image," and (last but not least), PARKING!!!'

Groups of students had been instructed earlier to collaborate to find feasible solutions to their particular problem. This exercise, once again, killed two birds with one stone. It was both an exercise in working with others and in finding solutions to these problems. And there were some pretty workable solutions

Both divisions of the Bear Lair committee (there were two groups per problem) decided to accept "intolerance of trash" as their first premise in solving the problem in the Bear Lair. In addition, each decided that one organization ought to be in charge of keeping the Lair clean. However, one group assigned this responsibility to a class per month and the other decided to take it upon themselves. The latter added that they would require the power to close down the Bear Lair for a week should trash continue after one formal warning issued by the committee. The constituents from the Junior class in the crowd objected at this point, for this would cut into their funds from the Coke machine and Dole fruit bar sales, which they desperately need for their Prom.

From this, a compromise was reached. The Junior class would be permanently in charge of keeping up the Bear Lair, having the power to stop all Coke and fruit bar sales should the trash become bad again. This way, all agreed every party should feel motivated to keep the Bear Lair clean.

The topic of assemblies was also an interesting one. The committees suggested the formation of a student-faculty steering committee. This steering committee would schedule assemblies falling under three general categories which seem to hold the students' key cussion, everything remained the interests: 1. current events, 2. cul- same, and somehow we've all mantural activities, or 3. local teen spon- aged to park somewhere!

sored presentations (i.e. Safe Rides, SADD, etc.). A suggestion box would would be widely used and further student-faculty input and be greatly appreciated.

Many students expressed the need for assemblies to be a "pleasant break in the day." They also suggested that specific guidelines be provided the speaker. Information about the audience, the time allotted, and the preferred content should be included.

Parking was definitely the most discussed problem at Leadership Conference. Many suggestions arose; however, most were impractical given the amount of time before school reconvened. The most debated issue was whether the 'old Junior lot" should become the new Senior parking area.

The Seniors unanimously supported this idea, all managed to park somewhere! But the argument came up that the traffic would be horrendous if all the Juniors left at the same time into the hook-up line. Other suggestions were offered, such as assigning spaces, giving incentives to carpool, opening the Senior lot onto Esteswood, and building a few extra spaces in certain nooks and crannies. However, regardless of all the dis-

Happy Thanksgiving!

Letters to the Editor

Labelling: Freedom of Choice

by Cecilia Wong

In response to Mrs. Gore's October 8 presentation, I would like to say that I feel she is addressing a noteworthy issue: labeling records with explicit lyrics as such. In line with what she said in that assembly, this request stems from a need for more honest packaging. Labels on cigarette cartons warn of contents which are health hazards: labels on record albums should warn of lyrics which might be too explicit for some ears.

I have heard in regard to this issue that "one thing leads to another" and that the entire episode is reminiscent of Big Brotherism. Perhaps government should not be the arbiter of public morality; I certainly agree it has no place in private judgment. That, however, is not the point of discussion.

Perhaps these requests may set dangerous precedents; for those forward-thinking people who may deem so, I am grateful.

Yet, foresight becomes an impracticality when the present is made to suffer for it. The presence of these labels would hurt no one; their absence could contribute both to immediate and gradual harms. These possible harms range in seriousness from elementary offense to the more somber affirmation of awry morals, such as the everpopular savagery toward women which is ranted and raved about increasingly. Of course everyone is entitled to choose for themselves what they want to hear. No one is denying, abridging, or even questioning freedom of choice. Rather, the knowledge by which to make educated use of that freedom is voluntarily being expanded. And I, for one, appreciate those efforts. After all, who needs or wants to be an ignorant shopper?

> Sincerely. Cecelia Wong

Welcome ...

by Kim Oliver

Dear Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome our new faculty to Harpeth Hall! With our new teachers and our new facilities, I am excited about a great year for everyone! I think we should all congratulate Mr. Wood for choosing such outstanding new teachers! Sincerely,

Kim Oliver

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Student store bears necessities

by Jacqueline Saturn

When students arrived for the first day of school they seemed to notice some peculiar arrows pointing in various directions saying "you are almost there!"

These arrows are not to guide you to your classrooms, they appear on the wall to show the direction and the location of the all new famed "Bear Necessities" book store, run by the Student Council. The idea of having a book store was discussed last year but it was actually carried out this year, thanks to the Student Council of '85-'86.

"Bear Necessities" carries items such as school supplies, buttons, bumper stickers, and will soon be selling (by popular demand) kazoos, Harpeth Hall t-shirts, shorts, pom-poms, and yes, even Harpeth Hall pennants!

Nina Brown, vice president of Student Council, says "we hope people will take advantage of the book store because it was created for the students and for the benefit of the school. We need everyone's participation to make "Bear Necessities" really work!" The store is open all day on Wednesdays and every day before school.

Student Council is very excited to have the new book store this year, but that's not all that is in store for the Honeybears!

Just a few things we can look forward to include an exciting student-faculty week, a halloween party, and masquerade dance. So listen bears, grab your spirit and get psyched for an incredible school year thanks to Student Councill

Have A Happy Thanksgiving!



Smile and the whole world smiles with you.

Foreign friend enjoys America

by Regina Allen

"I love America. I'm not homesick. I even had no time to be homesick. I can't say if I'd ever want to live here permanently, but why not?" reasons Julia Paulitschke, Harpeth Hall's foreign exchange student from Sensau, Germany. Julia is attending Harpeth Hall as a Junior this year, and she is staying with Holley Fuller and her family until mid-summer.

Julia's hometown is a small village consisting of nine houses; however, the town where she attends school is, as she puts it, "out of the Middle Ages." She finds many differences in the school system here, such as the Honor System and the close relationships between students and faculty. And while she finds the amount of homework at Harpeth Hall greater than in Germany, the tests are more difficult there. She comments, "I like (Harpeth Hall) very much. There are so many possibilities to get involved, and teachers and students are so nice.'

Julia has had to accustom herself to many differences in the American way of life. For example, in Germany, one never has to wait to be seated in a restaurant, people

do not apologize as often as here, hamburgers and sandwiches are not devoured to such an extent, and most importantly, in Germany there are fewer trees and the mail comes in the morning. Nevertheless, there are some similarities. For example, music, she says, is a large part of social life for youth, just as in America. However, they have discoes open to youth, where they listen to music from bands such as Prince, Duran Duran, Nena, Murray Head, and America's favorite, Munchner Freiheit!

Julia's new experiences since her arrival include playing tennis, attending a musical, surviving the Leadership Conference, and, what she considers best of all, making new friends. She compliments, "everybody — teachers, students and family — has helped me so much so far to adapt fast. Everybody is willing to explain to me things and is patient. They give me the feeling to be at home."

Please continue to welcome Julia to America and Harpeth Hall and be sure to speak to her if you see her. She is not difficult to recognize — just look for an incredible head of firey red hair which seems a contrast to her calm, easy-going and very friendly personality.

A Teacher's Perspective

Caritas: a difficult chore

by Parsons

Being rather bizarre (and slightly out of kilter) strange words and phrases burst into my conscious mind. Shakespeare's "Lay on, McDuff" competes with Yeats' "nineand-fifty swans" (sadly, one swan lacks a lover). A word that comes to mind rather frequently is caritas, Latin for love and regard, or charity. Perhaps one of the most civilizing aspects of medieval christianity was its demand for charity.

It is difficult to be civilized. It is hard to effect love and regard — thus, caritas is a decided difficult concept. It includes other principles, even responsibility. If I am irresponsible and fail to proofread

Logos II I force others to do that task. Hence I am thoughtless, unkind, and uncharitable. Like most, I worry about committing acts of arrogance and thoughtlessness — so much so that I sometimes deny caritas to myself.

We all need that self-regard; we all need to love and regard each other. Not easy to do but done rather well here. Not so at my last post; my students were brilliant and I cared about them — but cheating and put-downs proliferated. At Harpeth Hall I see more kindness than envy; more thoughtfulness than selfishness; and even that most precious talisman, caritas.

Bears, show your pride

by Julie Perkins

How many of you have ever been embarassed to say that you are a true Harpeth Hall Honeybear? Students on Leadership Conference easily discussed many instances of embarassment, but they had a hard time finding a solution. Most people agreed that the solution must come from each individual's effort to better Harpeth Hall's reputation. But, students also came up with two suggestions that could be initiated this year.

The first was to have an open dance. In this way other school's students would see that Harpeth Hall is not just an elite prep school. The other suggestion was to start a pep club to raise school spirit. Other students respect a school which shows spirit, and school spirit can not really be envied because it originates in every individual. So the next time someone asks where you go to school, show your spirit by proudly identifying yourself as a Honeybear!

Talented girls put on the ritz

by Edith Trost and Maria Dolan

The Harpeth Hall chorus and the Drama Club's joint presentation of "Puttin' on the Ritz" was a smashing success.

The program, directed by Ray Berry and Sandra Davis, consisted of a number of song and dance routines performed by the Upper-School Chorus as well as a group of talented and courageous faculty members and parents.

Skits and advertisements added humor to the evening thanks to the Drama Club and more of the Harpeth Hall faculty. The eighth grade chorus had a place in the limelight with the well known songs "You're Never Fully Dressed Without a Smile" and "Yankee Doodle Dandy."

The curtains opened with a lively rendition of the title song, "Puttin" wo on the Ritz," choreographed by "Pu Dallas Hagewood and Ashley Hitt. ful.

Soloists included Vicki McMurray in "Hurts So Bad," Kathie Jones in "People," and Dallas Hagewood in "But Not For Me." A beautiful quartet of "Smile" was sung by Vicki McMurray, Betsey Bryan, Carolyn Fischer, and Carol Cavin.

Another highlight of the show was a fifties medley including "Ain't Nothin' but a Hound Dog" and "Shake, Rattle and Roll," performed by a group of teachers. "Only You" was sung by Mr. Gordon Turnbull. "Standing on the Corner" was another great hit. The participants included Ms. Brooks Appelbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon and Betsey Turnbull, Mrs. Pat Moran, Mrs. Laurie Postelwaite, Mr. Bill Lauderdale, Mr. Steve Farrand, and Mr. John Douglas.

Thanks to all who supported this worthwhile fundraiser and made "Puttin' on the Ritz" very successful.

Students cope as pressure builds

by Marian Stoney

As I sit down to write this brief discourse on pressure, I realize that I am speaking with a lot of experience behind me. At this moment, (fifth period, Thursday, October 3 - the day this article is due), I am seated in my calculus class, frantically using the only time I have left.

I have to make the final draft of this during lunch so I can give it to Elizabeth Martinez during Great Works class. Last night I went to a church youth group meeting in Brentwood, right after I had had my senior pictures taken and had taken a shower.

So, at 9:30 p.m. I had all of my homework facing me, not to mention all that I had done most of the night before (because that night I had been furiously finishing my Great Works paper).

My mother made me go to sleep at 11:30 p.m., so I was forced to wake up at 4:30 a.m. to finish and make it to my aerobics class. But I fell back asleep! So here I am, under a great deal of pressure, and experiencing the same situation we all deal with every day.

Last year, some people complained that school was demanding too much. People came up with suggestions for dealing with pressure. Pressure is something we will be aware of for the rest of our lives, but it is also of course something over which we can have a good amount of control. We have a choice about the obligations we make. Most of us are obligated to do our best at school. But if we feel that certain things outside of school are unimportant to us, the freedom of choice allowed in number and intensity of courses we take gives us the ability to delegate our time.

We can become cautious about choosing our obligations outside school. The biggest problem arises when we over-commit ourselves. That's what I have been

doing the past couple of nights, enjoying myself the entire weekend instead of working on my theme, going to youth group, and going to aerobics combine to equal a good example of trying to do too much. I do it anyway, and am therefore responsible for the subsequent pressure I feel. Every Harpeth Hall student I know has a similar hectic schedule and struggles to find time to study, but we have all learned to cope.

A different kind of pressure facing the Seniors right now concerns applying to colleges. We worry that we won't be accepted by our first choice college, or that our grades aren't good enough. Happily, however, most students find their niche at whatever school they find themselves attending. I feel confident that our class will have no problem gaining a successful college experience and we will owe Harpeth Hall for teaching us to manage our time and to cope with pressure.



New Faculty Tells All

by Carolyn Fischer and Andrea Carlsen

"I'm very excited about the faculty this year - they have a lot of different things to offer and everyone is rolling up their sleeves and working together," remarks Paul Tuzeneu in a rare, serious statement. With so many new teachers this year, a great emphasis has been placed on becoming better acquainted with the faculty, and both students and faculty are whole-heartedly participating in this

Mrs. Betsy Turnbull, also occupying a new position, believes the faculty is working out well, "We have a good group academically as well as a lot of diversity." However, the one major drawback is expressed by Mr. Gordon Turnbull, "I think there are too many people with facial hair."



Ms. Baughman

Mrs. Susan Baughman (college counselor), after being a wife and mother for a number of years, returned to Harpeth Hall this autumn and was happy to re-discover strong academics and a close knit, supportive atmosphere. She already feels included in the Harpeth Hall tradition having a mother who attended Ward Belmont and a daughter presently enrolled in sixth grade. One of her less pleasant memories of Harpeth Hall was receiving a detention after eating a hard-boiled egg in study



Note: due to photographic difficulties Ms. Postlewaite's picture is not present.

Mrs. Laurie Postlewate (French) grew up in Texas and attended Southern Methodist University. While in Dallas, she worked in a very nice restaurant and had a most embarassing experience of "dropping a plate of hot curry

sauce on a woman's white silk coat!" Unfortunately, dry cleaning failed to remove the dingy yellow stain. Mrs. Postlewate feels that taking on challenges and enjoying your success are two of the most important lessons to learn.



Mr. Farrand

Although Mr. Steve Ferrand (Latin) describes himself as "classically absent-minded," he certainly is at no loss when it comes to teaching the classics. He remembers one of his graduate school professors who influenced his own teaching. This professor obviously knew a great deal, but he spoke in a monotone and brought the same yellowing notes to class for thirtyfive years - and also had the bizarre habit of snorting to himself as if he were falling asleep too. "It convinced me that there is no greater sin than not caring about how you are teaching."



Dr. Parsons

Dr. Bob Parsons (English) when he was quite young, believed his father was a gangster because "he was a big man and didn't talk a great deal." Later, this vivid imagination led him to obtain a doctorate in English. During his first job, he walked into the library and discovered two students in a very compromising position. The hysterical young girl begged Dr. Parsons not to say anything; unfortuavid audience!



Ms. Pagliara

Mrs. Alison Pagliara (Computer) has known since second grade that she wanted to be a teacher and for the past five years has been realizing that goal. The first three years she spent teaching in a public school but found it to be a "zoo." She much prefers private, single-sex schools like Harpeth Hall where the students are "less distracted !

She will be assisted first semester by Mr. Mike Weekley, a Vanderbilt student who is also helping to write educational programs for such purposes as aiding children in learning to read and helping to teach administrators to administrate better. He realized in eighth grade that his forte' did not lie in dramatics - "while rehearsing a skit, everyone claimed I didn't die fast enough" - so in the performance he expired before the cup of poison ever touched his lips.



Dr. Frontain

Dr. Raymond Frontain (English) attended Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York where he acquired an enormous appreciation for the English and French faculty because they taught him the value of language and how to read critically and appreciatively. After graduate work, Dr. Frontain wrote two books: The David Myth of Western Literature and Poetic Prophecy of Western Literature. Although he enjoys Harpeth Hall, he expected it to be much quieter and is not yet accustomed to "the certain shrillness of an adolescent girl's voice."



Ms. Applebaum

Although for many years she had intended to be an obstetrician. Ms. Brooks Appelbaum (English) seemed destined to be a teacher, as she was continually fascinated by the profession — or at least by the professors. "When I was fourteen and exceedingly sensitive to everything, I was hopelessly in love with my ninth grade English teacher. One day as I was walking out of class after everyone else had left. I tripped over the projector cord and fell flat on my face. I got up and felt my world had ended." However, this trauma did not deter Ms. Appelbaum from English, she still loves to write and is very excited about the challenge of teaching.



Ms. Hill

Mrs. Jess Hill (Math) very much enjoys teaching at Harpeth Hall, although at first she was a bit apprehensive about the atmosphere of an all-girls school. However, she found that the advantages of small classes outweighed the loss of some diversity. She also does not have to worry about saying the pledge of allegiance — "my first day as a student teacher at Hillwood, I stood up to say the pledge of allegiance and my heel caught in the hem of my dress ... and I almost fell over.'



Ms. Krasney

Although Mrs. Ellie Krasney (Chemistry) recently completed her masters degree research synthesizing three new anti-cancer drugs presently being tested by the National Institute of Health, she still finds teaching "much better than sitting in a lab" and especially prefers giving tests to taking them. Unfortunately, her laboratory talents do not extend to the kitchen, where she once baked some cookies on waxed paper. generating a reaction which produced "Crayola cookies.



Mr. Warren

Mr. Jim Warren (American History) has a very diverse range of interests, extending from traveling (he spent an entire summer backpacking around Europe); to historical fiction; to show-skiing; "I live for powder, if you will;" to movies. His favorite film is "The Graduate," having recently graduated from college himself, he can identify with the problems of trying to adjust to society outside of academia. Not only does he enjoy discussing historical points of interest, but he will also gladly volunteer advice about college.

Little Hall on the Prairie

by Cathy KanadayOn the cold fall nights of November 22, 23 and 24, escape from the impending crunch of exams and enter into a sun-drenched prairie filled with singing and dancing.

On these dates, the Harpeth Hall Playmakers along with boys from MBA and Hillsboro will present Rodgers' and Hammerstein's classic musical, OKLAHOMA!

What other chance will you have to see Carol Cavin (as Aunt Eller) churning butter or holding Tim Wallace (Andrew Carnes) and other cowboys at gunpoint? Jill Blevins (Ado Annie) chasing a Persian peddler? Betsey Bryan (Gertie Cummings) hideously cackling while running after anything that wears cowboy boots and a gun holster? Michael Starr dancing? Well ... the romantic leads, Curly and Laurey will be played by Michael Starr and Vicki McMurray, respectively. Will Laurey go to the box lunch social with her true love, Curly or will she be coerced into attending the dance with the burly hired hand Jud Frye, portrayed by Richard Hoffmeister? To find out, purchase a ticket from any cast member or Playmakers member. See you at OKLAHOMA! O.K.?

M.A.TH. Gives Aid

by Julia Tonelson

Got a problem? A math problem, that is? If that Geometry homework has really got you stumped or you just need some extra help in math, wait no longer! The Mu Alpha Theta Emergency Room is ready to help.

Mu Alpha Theta is the Math Honor Society at Harpeth Hall. Located in the new Math and Science Building, the Mu Alpha Theta Emergency Room is designed to aid those students who need some extra help in math.

'Every period someone will be there for a kind of informal tutoring and we will also help set up tutors for those who need them,' explains Betsy Kennedy, President of Mu Alpha Theta. "Students can also use the room to help each other in math." She hopes that students will take advantage of this room when they need it.

So the next time you sit sweating over a math problem, try the Mu Alpha Theat Emergency Room for

Honeybears Dance with the Late Show

by Paige Ferragina

Demons, ghosts and goblins filled the Harpeth Hall campus. Odd creatures and ghouls roamed the halls. What was this event, anyway? A filming of Steven Spielberg's "Amazing Stories?" No! It was Harpeth Hall's first annual Masquerade Dance, held by the Student Council.

On the night of November 2, Honeybears (and their dates) disquised themselves in all sorts of interesting costumes and "danced the night away." The Late Show was the band that blasted the awesome sounds which kept students rockin' all night long. One great feature of the evening was the costume recognition.

All students agreed that the dance was a "blast" and eagerly await next year's Fall Masquerade.

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Thanks, Student Council!

Outstanding Latin Scholar Wins Award

by Katherine A. Collins

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Through the years Harpeth Hall has produced many Latin scholars who have shown their excellence through various tests and exams. Beth Mitchell was among the students who participated in the National Latin Exam last Spring. Beth received a perfect score on her exam - it consisted of about 30 questions ranging in subjects dealing with Latin grammar to mythology. Especially for those who have taken this exam, this task seems rare and nearly impossible to accomplish. However, Beth Mitchell is an outstanding and rare Latin student.

Beth completed Latin I and Latin Il during one school year and finally finished by July. Her abilities were evident through the awards she received at both the State Latin Convention and at the National Convention. Beth has many of the capabilities and insights in learning and in dealing with academics that all students desire to possess. It might be hard to match Beth's overall academic accomplishments — and almost impossible to equal her ability as a

Latin has developed as one of the more challenging subjects for some people today. For Beth the challenge meant yet one more way for her to express her interests and to expand her increasing educa tion, Beth receives great admiration for her outstanding achievements. She is highly respected and thanked for helping and advancing the recognition of Harpeth Hall's Junior Classical League to the superior position as a Latin program which has developed the minds of many Latin students. Also thanks to Mrs. Phoebe Drews and Mrs. Joyce Ward - two of the finest Latin teachers anywhere they taught and encouraged their students to appreciate every aspect of the classics - the language and the background. For Harpeth Hall there is a great future in the Latin department with equally capable teachers and students. Beth Mitchell no longer participates in Latin, but she has contributed far more than some of us



Beth Mitchell seeks more than academic excellence in Boston

Library Undergoes Changes

by Anna Chase

The Annie C. Allison Library, under the direction of Mary Lee Manier and Nancy Rumsey is undergoing many new and exciting changes! Much more space is being made available to the library because of the many new departments being organized.

area of new technology. Videotapes will be available to students and faculty as recordings and filmstrips are now. The librarians will new life to the library. also have a new workroom in the

Space is being saved on the main floor by a new development in technology called microfiche, which stores an entire magazine on a small piece of plastic. Microfiche will also be able to be printed

New draperies also change the scene at the library. They are a shade of soft green, with an off-The basement will soon be an white border. According to Mrs. Manier, they, replacing the former ones which had been hanging since the structure was built, give

Some new books have been added to the library. Shakespeare and the Dance, by Alan Brissenden and Van Wyck Brooks, A Writer's Life, by Raymond Nelson are among the books which have been presented to the library as gifts. A Civil War Treasury, by B.A. Botkin, is one of many books that has been bought. The staff welcomes donations or books in honor of relatives or friends on special occasions.

The librarians often feature collections or models made by the students or faculty; the exhibits fill the building's showcase and display cases. Ship models constructed by Dr. Parsons are now on display in the library. The staff urges everyone to come and see these, as well as bringing in their own collections or models.

Mrs. Manier and her staff invite everyone to stop by the library soon to see all the new changes in progress! There is more to the Harpeth Hall than meets the eye.

Carrie Breaks Language Barrier

We go to school to prepare us for the outside world, but many times we forget that an outside world exists. We are so involved in the day to day rituals that rarely does it enter our minds that there are other people all over the world doing the same thing in different ways.

This summer I went to Italy on an AFS summer exchange program. I lived for ten weeks in a medium sized town on the Adriatic coast with an Italian family. Before I left, I knew next to nothing of the country, the people, and their language. I rationalized that I would learn once I got there. Well, it wasn't quite as easy as I had expected.

When I finally arrived in Italy and met my family - a mother, father, and two sisters, I realized that I was alone in a world that didn't speak my language and which functioned just fine without knowing of my existence. I was living in a family that I thought could have nothing in common with my family living in Nashville, Tennessee.

The first few days I was forced to adjust to a lifestyle in which I didn't even know how to thank the people who were doing so much for me. But once I got used to the daily schedule and a family meal wasn't a nerve shattering experience, I realized that most things were different, but had similarities too. I could communicate with these people without knowing the language fluently it was funny to watch, but it worked.

I learned a lot about myself. Without my parents or peers I had to choose which of my own values were important enough to retain and which customs I had that just weren't practical in my new environment. What struck me the most during my stay was how nice, intelligent, "simpatici" the people my age were. They were all curious about the American when we first met, but they soon came to treat me as another person in their group. They were all well educated and knew so much of what was going on in the world that I was embarassed to know so little. I experience so many things that I didn't appreciate before — from going to a concert to throwing water balloons on the beach.

Since I've been back, sometimes I've felt as if I've only had a wonderful vacation of which I'll always have beautiful memories, but I know I've gained much more: an understanding of another culture and therefore, the realization of countless others, a better understanding of myself and my capabilities, and most importantly a second family always in my heart that thinks of me as one of their daughters. A whole world is visible to me that was before more abstract than

Eighth Graders Welcome New Middle Schoolers

by Anne Blaufuss

The campus was buzzing with conversation between old and new students during Middle School orientation, on the last Wednesday of summer vacation, as big sisters searched the crowd for their little sisters. Classmates traded stories of summer adventures and new students looked for familiar faces.

After a picnic lunch on the lawn, Carrie Oliver, Middle School Council president, welcomed everyone and told about the plans she and Murray Polk, vice president, had for the coming year. "I think it's really important for everyone to

get involved and show honeycub spirit," urged Carrie. New green "Hug-a-Honeycub" t-shirts, worn by students and teachers who attended the Leadership Conference, advertised her message.

After Miss Polly Fessey introduced the teachers, eighth graders took groups of big and little sisters around the campus on a scavenger hunt. According to Kirkland Ahern, "The hunt was a lot of fun and helped me get to know the campus better." The last clue directed everyone to the terrace, where ice cream sundaes were served, a sweet beginning to the new school year.

Middle School Learns Leadership

by Emily Haynes and Marguerite Nielsen

The Middle School class and club officers and sponsors gathered together at Oak Hill School for the Leadership Conference on Aug. 26, to plan for the new school year and improve skills in working together. The enthusiasm and participation of the teachers and students made the busy day worthwhile.

The group took part in many sessions based on communication, thinking, planning, and cooperation. A mock class meeting taught the basics of parliamentary procedure. The teachers put on a skit showing that people should never be left out of meetings and activities. Another skit involved planning events for the coming year.

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Many girls thought being at the Leadership Conference was a

valuable experience. Susan Moulton, seventh grade vice president, said, "I liked it, not just because of any one thing, but because of the overall experience.' Meredith Weigel, Triad secretary, "really enjoyed meeting the new teachers." Melinda Winson, Latin Club president, remarked, "The teachers made the conference a lot of fun. It didn't seem like work." Julia Sutherland, Eccowasin president, enjoyed being with her friends again after summer and getting to make new friends.

After most of the work was completed, the fun still did not end. Swimming in the pool and sitting out in the sun were on the agenda. Afterwards, hot dogs and marshmallows were cooked around a

Miss Polly Fessey gave the closing words, and everyone headed home with the honeycub spirit and the confidence that it was going to be a fantastic year.

Upper School Officers Sharpen Skills

by Annie B. Williams

Again this year the officers and sponsors of the various school organizations kicked off the school year with a weekend of learning and fun. The 1985 Leadership Conference was held August 23-24 at Cedar Crest Campground in Lyles, Tennessee.

Mr. Wood began the conference with a keynote address and with an introduction of the new teachers and staff, while everyone else dug into their lunches. As the day continued, the conferees participated in many activities that helped to improve their leadership skills. They worked on such things as communication, problem solving, parliamentary procedure, and leadership styles. Throughout the weekend, the different organizations worked diligently to plan exciting activities for the school year. In the conclusion to the conference, the sponsors and students took part in a devotional and a "wrap-up" exercise.

When asked to say something about the conference, Freshman representative to the Honor Council, Kate Davis, said, "It was a lot of fun, and I learned a lot about leadership." Thanks to the hard work of the faculty and staff, along with the cooperation of the various officers, the 1985 Leadership Conference was a complete success.

Team Proves Up To Par

by Kim Oliver

What happens when green hits the "green?" Victory! The honeybears have "teed off" their golf season to a great start! Harpeth Hall's golf team consists of Regina Allen, Lynn Bouchard, Mary Frances Evers, and Stephanie Sheffield and is coached by Mrs. Nan Reed.

A typical practice, which occurs every day during the school week, is a nine hole game. Many people are unfamiliar with the "set-up" of a game of golf. In a match, two golfers play against each other for a possible three points. Conse-

quently, the team with the highest accumulation of points at the end of the season wins.

So far, our Honeybears have an incredible record of nine points out of twelve! The competition consists of Father Ryan, Hillwood, Hillsboro, St. Bernard, and Franklin

Harpeth Hall will definitely hit the regionals, and if they beat their chief competition, Father Ryan, they will go to the state matches. Mary Frances Evers says, "We may be a young team, but we are working and striving together to make Harpeth Hall the number one team in our district." Go for the "hole-inone" Honeybears!

The Will To Win Cannot Be Beat! — But Once

by Laura Francis

Once again the Harpeth Hall Varsity Volleyball Team is incredible! This team of super ability includes seniors Kristin Breuss, Nancy Brown, Anne Moore, Page Polk, Susie Stevens, and Haylee Waddey; juniors Lezley Dale, Laura Francis, Ellen Nelson, Grace Russell, Susan Wattleworth, and Amy Welhoelter; and Sophomores Erin Moroney and Sarah Nash.

Wisely coached by Georgianne Moran and strongly supported by manager Trish McNamee (and "friend," Tom), the volleyball team has had a fantastic season. Practice (8:00 to 10:00 each morning) began in early August immediately following a rigorous week at the UT Volleyball Camp. At camp the girls had a tough daily schedule from morning until night, but they survived and proved to be a more unified and improved team as a

The hot August morning practices were difficult but necessary for the team to have a winning season. Again, the girls survived and had a perfect chance to display their ability at the McGavock Invitational, August 24. The Bears withstood six matches (that's twelve games) lasting from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., but it was worth it because they won. Although there was no trophy for the winning team, the morale boost of success added even more spirit to the Green and Grey. As the season progressed, the Bears had other major accomplishments such as tying for first place at the Ryan Tournament on September 29, and having a 25-1 mid-season record, losing only to Glencliff. As one senior volleyball player's mother states, "this year's volleyball team works together and supports one another better than any other HH volleyball team of the past."

Keep it up Bears!



Mr. T and his "S" team warm up.

Soccer Kicks Off Their Season

by Jenny Loomis

The soccer team has started this season off with spirited enthusiasm and great soccer! Tryouts began August 12 and consisted of hard running, four corner drills and, yes, the dreaded suicides. But the result is that the Harpeth Hall team is in great shape and exhausting their opponents with their endur-

The time and careful planning

Coach Turnbull has put into this great bunch of girls has paid off. The girls are ranked 5th in the region with 2 wins and 2 losses in their district. In addition, the team has gotten new uniforms. With the HH logo designed by Peter Goodwin and the green and white stripes, these girls are the best looking team in Nashville.

The team consists of Elizabeth Bass, Nina Brown, Susie Cox, Carrie Doyle, Jenny Loomis, Gretchen Strayhorn, Beth Berry, Andi Boklage, Marce Jones, Holly Fuller, Chloe Lenderman, Melanie Russell, Ali Silva, Becky Watson, Anne Crook, Bonnie Jones, Katie Mc-Dougall, Mary Ann Ozier, Ramie Smith, Dana Suffridge, Claire Vaughn, Collins Weaver, Marla Connelly, Harkness Harris, and Shawn Hodde.

Come to a soccer game and show that Honeybear spirit for these hard working girls!

Honeycubs Are Off to a Good Year

by Julia Sutherland and Nikki Polk

The 1985-86 sports year has started off with a blast in the Middle School. Cross country was the first to begin, with the largest turnout ever. The team has over 20 runners, including some of the best in the school. Either Marychar Creson or Mary Price Russell has come in first in each of the first three meets of the season. Mary Price says "Incredible! (sic) Mrs. Burr, our coach, told us we should win the final meet, with such seventh and eighth grade talent."

To runners like Emily Haynes, the 11/2 mile run in the meets is a breeze. She states, "We have a really good team and possibilities of getting an award at the champion-

The Middle School is proud to say that its cross country team is the only one undefeated in the HVAC, thanks to the tough runners who gave their all for the team.

HVAC volleyball, coached by Mr. Jim Warren, the Upper School American History teacher, has also been very successful. So far, the team has only lost three games. The captains, Molly Anderson and Laura Gaw were really excited about the season. Molly says, "I think we have a great team with wonderful abilities." The strong starting lineup; including Ashley Hodde, Alison Brooks, Ann Prosser, and Rebecca Greene: has enabled the team to go almost undefeated.

The tournament was held on Saturday, Oct. 5. Congratulations, Honeycubs, for a wonderful performance.

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Runners Take Your Mark

by Melanie Russell

Dear Zola (Budd)y,

You wouldn't believe how much fun I'm having here on the Harpeth Hall cross country team! We are the best, toughest team in the state! Our coaches, Mrs. Russ and Mr. Jones, even think so! We've had an undefeated dual meet season, and we placed ninth in the Antioch meet! Are we great, or what?! I think we're going to win the NIL Championship again like we did last year! I hope we win the Regionals, and we should definitely go to state! We are really talented! Some of these girls will probably run with you some day!

There's this incredibly fast runner named Allison Cummings - she has run three miles in 19:53!! Close on her tail in every race is Kristin Mitchell, whose best time

so far is 20:26. Our third place holder is Sarah Hardison with a time of 20:49. Do you want to hear something else fantastic? We have a Freshman who holds fourth place on the team with a time of 21:12 — Carrington Nelson. That's great, because as soon as all of the Junior runners graduate, she'll be there to keep up the HH tradition! But of course, our Varsity right now is unbeatable with Kim Oliver, Kristin Orcutt and Kristi Holbrook!

Practice is another story there's less glamour there. We started in August to build up mileage, and now we concentrate on speed. How? Have you ever heard of a Fartlek workout? We run long distance, but alternate our pace by sprinting. Tough work! We also run hills! Yuk! But at least we'll reach our peak at the end of the season.

Everyone is close on our team. The Juniors have really matured -they are great leaders with incredible mental toughness. Since there are no Seniors on the team, no one will leave. Our young team will be the same great team next year! Not only will the young Varsity members continue the HH "crusade for excellence," but the JV will also excel with runners like Annis Marney, Jennifer Betts, Carrie Smith and Libby Benning.

Another great person on the team is Mr. Jones. Well, he's not really on the team, but he's a great runner and a great guy! He helps us so much! Gosh — with two great coaches - Mrs. Russ and Mr. Jones — and with all these great runners, we'll definitely be the best! See ya soon at the Olympics!

> Your great friend, Joe New Balance

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